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(Incorporated Town)

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Six hundred and seventy-eight feet above sea level. Healthiest location in the Old Dominion. Pure air, the best of water; ample railway facilities. In the very heart of the finest timber section of Virginia. Ideal location for industries, both great and small, which may be seeking nearness to the raw material. Wood-working establishments cannot find a better location. Furniture, chair and wagon factories here meet the raw material at their doors. Land and factory sites can be had cheap. Either of the persons named below will gladly furnish information to those looking for economical conditions for manufacturing or other industries.

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THE SURVEY OF A GREAT WATER-POWER COMPLETED

Surveyors Worked Nearly Two Years on Chat-tahoochee River--Development of Addi-tional Power Will Follow Surveys.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
COLUMBUS, GA., December 14.—After having been almost continuously engaged for nearly two years, surveyors have completed the work of making a survey of the great water-power of the Chat-tahoochee River, between this city and West Point, Ga. It has been declared that this is the largest water-power in the country, with the exception of Niagara, and the result of the surveys seems to bear out these contentions.

In a distance of thirty-five miles the river falls 350 feet, affording a mighty energy that is estimated to be considerably over 100,000 horsepower. Most of this power is owned by the Columbus Power Company, a corporation backed by \$3,500,000 of New England capital, and the surveyors who have just completed their tedious task

were in the employ of this company. The company owns practically all the water-power from this city to a point twenty-five miles above Columbus. It is the policy of the Columbus Power Company to develop these powers from time to time, to meet the demands from new industries being established in Columbus and vicinity. The company already has three plants in successful operation, one of them so large that it furnishes power for nine cotton mills. Plans have been drawn for another big dam and power-house two miles north of the city. The company's most recent plant was completed less than a year ago.

The extensive surveys that have been made by a corps of trained men, varying in number from twelve to twenty, were painstaking and accurate, and the Columbus Power Company, having secured all the preliminary data that is desired, can proceed with the development of the power as rapidly as desired. At one point the erection of a dam seventy-five feet high is declared to be feasible by engineers. At North Highlands, near Columbus, the company has a dam nearly forty feet high.

Tunnel Under Railway.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
SALISBURY, N. C., December 14.—With a view to constructing a driveway to the Federal cemetery in this city, work was begun yesterday upon the construction of a tunnel under the main line of the Southern railway, near the city limits. A handsome stone arch will be built under the road, and \$15,000 appropriated by a recent session of Congress will be expended in the building of a driveway leading from the city to the national burying-

ground, where more than 11,000 Federal soldiers were buried.

Want Farms Improved.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
SALISBURY, N. C., December 14.—Messrs. C. R. Hudson and J. A. Butler, of Washington, representing the United States Department of Agriculture, were in Salisbury this week conferring with farmers relative to improving their farms and increasing the yield of their land. The officials, who are visiting a number of counties in North Carolina, will return to Salisbury and hold a farmers' institute on December 21st, at which improved farming will be discussed.

Give Way for Store.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
NORFOLK, VA., December 14.—The old Bonney residence, next door to the First Baptist Church, Granby Street, is being razed, and will be supplanted by a modern store building four stories high. It is one of the landmarks of the city, and indicates the rapid growth of the business section of the city cut Granby Street beyond Freemason Street.

Pine Trees Attacked by Blight.
White pine in New England was quite generally attacked last summer with a peculiar blight which the government has been investigating without so far solving the mystery. S. T. Dana, one of the officers concerned in the investigation by the Department of Agriculture, in a report states that the disease is very widely spread throughout New England, and it occurs practically everywhere south of the White mountains. In most places only a few scattered trees are attacked by the blight, although in a few localities as many as 10 to 20 per cent of the trees are affected by the disease. Brunswick, Me., appears to have suffered severely. Another badly affected locality is Elliot, Me. The report states that the disease has suddenly made its appearance in very widely separated localities all at once. The present situation, says the report, is not one that calls for alarm, but simply for further investigation.

BUILDING IN THE SOUTH IN VERY HEALTHY CONDITION

NASHVILLE, TENN., December 14.—The Southern Building Record for December says:

Personal interviews had by correspondents of the Southern Building Record with contractors, builders, supply dealers, architects, manufacturers and others interested in the building trades in all the cities of the South incline the balance of sentiment strongly on the optimistic side of the situation. We have won the appellation of "the Solid South" politically, and it now seems that we are on the eve of winning the same distinction financially and materially.

Among the cities that reported conditions to be excellent and the outlook good are to be found Chattanooga, Dallas, Augusta, Little Rock, Nashville and Memphis. Only New Orleans and Louisville are arrayed on the gloomy side of the picture, although in Birmingham the "prosperity talk" shows a perceptible break and there are several blue spots to be noticed in a review of conditions in that city. In Louisville the situation is worse for extrane-

ous reasons than on account of the financial panic, that city having recently passed through a pecuniary attack which affected the building trades adversely.

As a whole, the South is in a wonderfully healthful condition financially, although, to be sure, it would be an impossibility for the country to be shaken as it has been, while the South escaped scot free. The principal backset, however, as indicated by the reports to the Southern Building Record, lies in the shortage of cars and the postponement of prospective big contracts. The car shortage hampers the movement of crops as well as building supplies, and has created a measure of congestion which patience will remedy, it is believed. The postponement of big contracts, attributable to the tight money market in the East, does not affect the immediate situation, as the majority of contractors have their hands full and labor is well employed. An optimistic feature of the situation is that, so far as reported, no Southern city has failed to provide for its payroll in cash.

New Industries in the South

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
CHATTANOOGA, TENN., December 14.—The South maintains a fair average of industrial strenuousness at the opening of the winter season, despite the tide of financial tightness which seems to have made its influence felt to some extent in all lines of trade. There is a perceptible and most gratifying relief from this depressed situation, however, and development is progressing at a lively pace. The principal new industries established in the South during the week ending to-day are enumerated in the following list compiled from reports made to the Tradesman. There are several notably large concerns, judged by the amount of capitalization among these are a \$1,200,000 timber company in Arkansas; a \$100,000 manufacturing company in Georgia; a \$200,000 hardware company in Louisiana; a \$100,000 mining and smelting company in Missouri; a \$200,000 cotton mill in North Carolina; a \$100,000 cotton mill in Oklahoma; a \$150,000 coal and coke company in Virginia; and a \$500,000 lime and stone company in West Virginia. The Tradesman's list is as follows:

Alabama.
Birmingham—Manufacturing company.
Samantha—Rope and yarn mill.
Arkansas.
St. Joe—Mines.
Ft. Smith—Hardwood factory.
Little Rock—\$1,200,000 timber company.
Van Buren—Three \$25,000 canning factories.
Florida.
Tallahassee—\$100,000 tobacco company.
Tampa—Stone and brick company.
Georgia.
Hazelhurst—Oil and development company.
Augusta—\$100,000 manufacturing company.
Waynesboro—\$10,000 manufacturing company.
Kentucky.
Barbourville—Mining company.
Lexington—Cement works.
Louisiana.
New Orleans—\$100,000 development company; \$100,000 land and development company; \$50,000 lumber company; \$50,000 machine plant.
Minden—\$100,000 oil and gas company.
Franklin—\$100,000 oil company.
Shreveport—\$25,000 construction company; \$200,000 hardware company.
Leconte—Electric light plant.
West Monroe—\$100,000 ice factory.
Mississippi.
Meadville—\$25,000 brick and lumber company.
Natchez—Harness factory.
Bay St. Louis—\$8,000 transportation company.
Nogupter—\$2,000 warehouse company.
Missouri.
Kansas City—\$150,000 manufacturing company; \$25,000 land company; gas company.
St. Louis—\$15,000 manufacturing company; power plant.
Aurora—Mines.
Palmira—\$50,000 telephone system.
Damsel—\$100,000 mining and smelting company.
Oronogo—Concentrating mill.
Carthage—\$75,000 mining company; concentrating mill.
North Carolina.
Asheville—\$50,000 construction company.
High Point—\$200,000 cotton mill; \$125,000 textile factory.
Supply—\$20,000 mining company.
Monroe—\$100,000 development company.
Greensboro—\$100,000 manufacturing

company; \$25,000 telephone system.
Oklahoma.
Mangum—\$100,000 cotton mill.
Nowata—\$10,000 investment company.
Tulsa—\$100,000 oil company.
Oklahoma City—\$50,000 automobile company; \$100,000 oil and gas company.
Tennessee.
Knoxville—\$25,000 machine company.
Chattanooga—Telephone cross-arms and pins factory.
Memphis—\$10,000 construction company.
Bristol—\$10,000 hardware company.
Texas.
Celina—Warehouse company.
Kopperi—\$10,000 trust company.
Virginia.
Schoolfield—\$25,000 building and loan company.
Farrville—\$50,000 tobacco company.

Richmond—\$25,000 development company.
Boone Mill—Lumber company.
Radford—\$25,000 lumber company.
Manchester—\$10,000 mining company.
Pocahontas—\$150,000 coal and coke company.
West Virginia.
Clarksburg—\$50,000 land company; mining company.
Elkins—\$25,000 oil and gas company.
Fleeton—\$10,000 canning factory.
Charleston—\$50,000 oil and gas company.
Moundsville—\$500,000 lime and stone company.
Wheeling—\$25,000 amusement company.
Company Dissolutions in Japan.
Consul-General H. B. Miller, of Yokohama, forwards the following extract from a Japanese newspaper in regard to the dissolution of company enterprises in Japan.
According to the "Jiji Shimpō," the

fever of company forming, which raged so strongly at the close of last year and the beginning of the present, has now been replaced by a fever of the opposite kind, namely, company dissolving. The reason for this new mania is thus described: For example, the original projectors of a company buy up the share rights at a figure much below the amount of the bargain money paid up on each share, thus becoming creditors of the company to the extent of the bargain money. They then agitate for the dissolution of the company, and if they can effect that, they find themselves richer by the difference between the bargain money actually in the company's coffers and the price paid by them for the share rights. It is a wholesome thing that all bubble concerns should come to grief, and no one would be very sympathetic with the sufferings of their shareholders; but, as the Jiji rightly says, this new mania may lead to the dissolution of enterprises which deserve a better fate.

"TALK WITH CRAFTS."

PHONE 2758

Crafts Piano Company

"The Little Store Around the Corner"

We have received another large shipment for the Holiday trade. We now have the best stock of Pianos and Organs in the city. Both of our stores are filled with bargains, and if you are going to buy a Piano for Christmas, it will pay you to "Talk with Crafts" ere you purchase. This past week we took quite a number of Pianos and Organs in exchange, and these must be sold at prices that are almost ridiculous. Below we quote a few of the many bargains:

One STIEFF PIANO (used), in good condition. \$98 75c per week.	One \$450 CHASE PIANO, new, will go for \$273 Easy terms.	One SCHUBERT UPRIGHT, used but a short time, \$90 Easy terms.
One ESTEY ORGAN, in perfect condition. \$18 Very easy terms.	One \$125 BURDETT ORGAN, new, will go for \$87 Easy terms.	One HAINES UPRIGHT, cannot be told from new. \$95 Very easy terms.
One \$500 LUDWIG PIANO, mahogany case, a beauty, \$350 Easy terms.	One \$800 STARR PIANO, the best Piano in the world, because it is the best. \$423 Easy terms.	One \$625 LUDWIG PIANO, "The Piano with the Sweet Tone." Will wear a lifetime. \$450 Easy terms.
One SQUARE PIANO, in good condition. \$10 Easy terms.	One ESTEY ORGAN, walnut case. \$40 Easy terms.	Four \$100 CHASE PIANOS. \$247 Each. Easy terms.
Six \$425 LUDWIG PIANOS. \$325 Each. Easy terms.	One HAINES UPRIGHT, used but a short time. \$80 Easy terms.	Five SQUARE PIANOS. \$15 Up. Easy terms.

Can you afford to miss such an opportunity to buy a Piano for Xmas and gladden the hearts of your family? We are always glad to show you our goods. Remember we HAVE what we advertise, and advertise WHAT WE HAVE, so do not hesitate to come and "Talk with Crafts." Open every evening until 9 o'clock.

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